(b) and (c) It would not be possible to indicate the salient features as well as the cost estimate of the project as these can be worked out only after the Simulation Study is completed and the feasibility of the project is determined.

Overhauling of Airports in MP, Karnataka and Chhattisgarh

†586. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the airports in the country especially in Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Chhattisgarh proposed to be identified by Government for overhauling and to bring them upto international standard;

(b) whether Government would also fix time frame to complete the construction work of these airports, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total expenditure likely to be incurred in the construction of each of it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (c) Improvement, development and upgradation of infrastructure facilities at the airports is a continuous process and is taken up in a phased manner depending upon traffic demand, availability of land, resources etc. AAI has proposed the development of airports at Khajuraho, Bhopal, Indore and Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh) with an estimated cost of Rs. 86.78 crores, Rs. 58.65 crores, Rs. 10 crores and Rs. 7.46 crore respectively; Mangalore, Hubli, Belgaum, Bangalore and Mysore (Karnataka) with an estimated cost of Rs. 55.26 crores, Rs. 15 crores, Rs. 15 crores, Rs. 10.50 crores and Rs. 49 crores respectively; Raipur (Chhattisgarh) with an estimated cost of Rs. 12.64 crores.

Norms of Passenger Aircraft Cockpit Door

587. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Directorate General of Civil Aviation has revised the norms for making the passenger aircraft cockpit doors bulletproof;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the details of the revised norms and how the revised norms are different from the existing ones; and

(c) whether the DGCA has recommended any new norms for security training course to crew members?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Both the old & new norms require installation of bullet proof door which is capable of being locked and unlocked from cockpit by any pilot. However, under the old norms the cockpit door was to be bullet proofed for only those aeroplanes engaged in scheduled air transport services (Passenger) or cargo operations where provision is available to carry passengers irrespective of the All up weight or passenger carrying capacity. However, as per the revised norms both scheduled and non scheduled passengers carrying aeroplanes of a maximum of certified take off mass in exess of 45,500 Kg. or with a passenger seating capacity greater that 60 shall be equipped with an approved flight by small arms fire and grenade shrapnel, and to resist forcible intrusion of unauthorized persons. The new norms thus differ in the extent of their applicability and also on the need for provision of monitoring system in the cockpit for monitoring the entire door area outside the flight crew compartment.

(c) The requirement for taining crew members on security aspects is already provided in the existing instructions.

Modernisation of Non-Metro Airports

588. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are moving swiftly to modernize 30 non-metro airports with the help of private players;

(b) if so, the details of the airports identified by the AAI, State-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that no airport from Andhra Pradesh has been identified for modernization;

(d) whether any time-frame has been fixed to modernise the non-metro airports; and

(e) whether the proposal has been scrutinised by the Committee on Infrastructure?